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Docket No. 0756-2093
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
In re Patent Application of)
Tatsuya ARAO) Group Art Unit: 2811
Serial No. 09/826,416) Examiner: T. Tran
Filed: April 5, 2001)
For: SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE AND)
MANUFACTURING METHOD)
THEREOF)

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO ELECTION REQUIREMENT

Honorable Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of January 4, 2002, please amend the subject application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

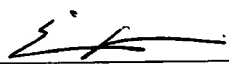
Cancel claims 12-20 without prejudice to applicant's right to file a divisional application with respect thereto.

REMARKS

In response to the election requirement in the Office Action of January 4, 2002, Applicant hereby elect without traverse the Group I claims - that is, claims 1-11 and 21-29, drawn to a semiconductor device.

Examination on the merits is requested.

Respectfully submitted,


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